

# Adams Soil and Water Conservation District

## Fact Sheet

**General Information:** Organized in 1966 to provide voluntary land and water conservation technical and financial assistance to landowners and users within the Adams Soil & Water Conservation District boundaries. The District supports diverse land uses, including irrigated and dryland farming, grazing, woodlands, recreation, and urban areas. Each of these land uses presents different conservation challenges.

### **Mission, Vision or Function:**

The mission of the Adams Soil and Water Conservation District is to use the educational, fiscal and technical resources at our disposal to assist landowners, especially agricultural producers, in putting voluntary resource conservation into practice on the ground.

### **FY 2015 Accomplishments:**

- Adams Soil and Water Conservation District (SWCD) was awarded a new grant that will begin efforts to protect and restore portions of the upper Weiser River. The project area includes roughly a 20 mile stretch of the Weiser River beginning near the East Fork Weiser River confluence south to Goodrich Creek. One project was installed in the first year of the grant.
- Assisted by a capacity building grant from the Soil & Water Conservation Commission, Adams SWCD co-sponsored, with the Idaho Rangeland Resource Commission and the UI Adams County Extension, the first-ever Rangeland Skillathon for high-school students from throughout the region.
- Co-sponsored the 6th Annual Soil Health Symposium February 2015.
- Co-sponsored the Council Education Resource Crew (CERC), a grant-funded summer program that gives local teens an opportunity to learn

and earn by completing conservation work work in Adams county.



**Working to save stream banks**

### **Future Plans and Projects:**

- Five more planned or permitted projects in the Upper Weiser River Restoration Project area.
- Work with landowners on the Weiser River from Glendale to Goodrich to restore and protect river bank.

### **FY 2015 District Funding:**

State	\$21,552
Adams County	\$4,000
City of Council	\$500
319 Grants	\$19,080
Landowner/local match	\$48,448
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$93,580</b>

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